Sanitation Programme and the Drinking Water Misssion respectively, in convergence with SSA.

Online education at Ills and llMs

3392. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Institutes like NTs and IIMs are preparing to offer online education for Indian students;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of co-operation provided by Government for providing online education in the country so far; and

(d) how much benefit of online education will be accured by the students in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHTIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Univeralisation of Mid-Day Meal

3393 MS. MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) by when Government propose to universalize the Mid-Day-Meal at least in tribal areas of Central India:

(b) whether Government are aware that more than 50 per cent children in primary schools do not get Mid-Day Meal specially the more deserving ones in tribal areas an in rural areas; and

(c) by when this situation will be rectified, the details of future proposals by his Ministry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) The Mid-Day Meal programme is being implemented to cover children studying in classes l—V of Government Aided and local body schools and also centres run under the Education Guarantee Scheme (EGS) and Alternative and Innovative Education (AIE) across the country.

(b) and (c) In view of (a) above, questions do not arise.